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FOR AMBASSADOR OM SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR FAHMY -- SECRETARY'S TALKS WITH  
GROMYKO

REF: CAIRO 6838

1. PLEASE CONVEY POINTS BELOW TO FAHMY, ASKING HIM AS  
USUAL TO PASS THEM ON TO SADAT.

2. FIRST, I APPRECIATE FAHMY'S UNDERSTANDING OF THE  
CONSIDERATIONS INVOLVED IN OUR PROVIDING FOR HIM AND  
PRESIDENT SADAT THROUGH YOU THE FULLEST POSSIBLE REPORT  
ON THE STATUS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS FOLLOWING THE NEXT  
EXCHANGES WITH THE ISRAELIS. I REMAIN MINDFUL OF  
PRESIDENT SADAT'S NEED IN THE DAYS AHEAD TO WORK FROM  
THE BEST POSSIBLE ASSESSMENT OF WHERE MATTERS STAND.  
PLEASE ASSURE HIM THAT WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO GET YOU  
BACK TO CAIRO AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE.

3. SECOND, AFTER EXTENSIVE TALKS ON A NUMBER OF  
BILATERAL ISSUES, I HAVE JUST FINISHED AN HOUR AND A  
HALF WITH GROMYKO ON THE MIDDLE EAST. HE CONTINUES TO  
FAVOR CONDUCTING ALL NEGOTIATIONS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK

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OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE, BUT HE SHOWED NO INCLINATION

TO ACT OBSTRUCTIVELY TOWARD THE PRESENT NEGOTIATIONS.  
I GAVE HIM ONLY THE MOST GENERAL PICTURE OF THOSE  
NEGOTIATIONS -- THAT WE ARE STILL ENGAGED IN  
EXCHANGES TO DETERMINE WHETHER AN AGREEMENT IS POSSIBLE,  
THAT THE LOCATION OF THE LINE IN THE AREA OF THE PASSES  
AND THE NATURE OF THE ACCESS TO THE OIL FIELDS REMAIN  
THE MAIN ISSUES, AND THAT WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO TALK WITH  
GREATER CERTAINTY ABOUT GENEVA WHEN PRESIDENT FORD AND  
GENERAL SECRETARY BREZHNEV MEET IN HELSINKI, PRESUMABLY  
THE LAST DAYS OF JULY, ON THE OCCASION OF THE EUROPEAN  
SECURITY CONFERENCE.

4. I TOLD GROMYKO, IN RESPONSE TO HIS PROBING ON THE  
TIMING OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE, THAT WE HAD ALWAYS  
ENVISIONED THE STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH AS A WAY TO HELP  
DEFUSE THE SITUATION AND PRODUCE AN ATMOSPHERE MORE  
CONDUCTIVE TO PROGRESS IN NEGOTIATION OF AN OVERALL  
SETTLEMENT. I SAID WE FULLY RECOGNIZE THAT THE  
NEGOTIATING PROCESS MUST CONTINUE.

5. IN SHORT, WHILE GROMYKO CONTINUED TO PRESS IN  
PRINCIPLE FOR EARLY RESUMPTION OF THE CONFERENCE AS  
SOON AS PRACTICAL, HE SEEMED TO RECOGNIZE THAT WE  
WOULD HAVE TO WORK THROUGH OUR PRESENT COURSE.

6. FOR AMBASSADOR: WE WILL LOOK FOR YOU JULY 15.  
KISSINGER

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